Minutes of a regular meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners, held at the Dover Township Hall, 2985 Marquardt Road, Gaylord, Michigan on the 28th day of October, 2008 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

BACKENSTOSE, BATES, LISS, OLSEN, GLASSER, BEACHNAU, HYDE.

ABSENT:

JOHNSON, BENTZ.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Commissioner __ BEACHNAU

RESOLUTION NO. OCR 08-27 OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 6112

October 28, 2008

WHEREAS, House Bill 6112 has been introduced in the House; and

- WHEREAS, House Bill 6112, if passed, will create a new act known as the Corrections Officers Compulsory Arbitration Act to provide binding arbitration procedure for the resolution of labor disputes; and
- WHEREAS, this act would create a procedure that mirrors what is known as Act 312 compulsory arbitration which currently applies to police officers and firefighters, and not to corrections officers; and
- WHEREAS, compulsory arbitration of labor disputes has proven to be a costly and time-consuming process by which a third party decides the terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements instead of the parties themselves; and
- WHEREAS, compulsory arbitration promotes an adversarial labor-management solution and discourages continued negotiations toward mutually obtained collective bargaining agreements; now, therefore be it
- **RESOLVED,** that the Otsego County Board of Commissioners hereby goes on record in strong opposition of HB 6112; and be it further
- **RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Tony Stamas, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS

AYES: UNANIMOUS.

NAYS: NONE.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

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Kenneth R. Glasser, Chair, Board of Commissioner

Susan I. DeFeyter, County Clerk